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WATANABE et al.) Art Unit: 1713
Application Number: 09/488,762)
Filed: January 21, 2000) Examiner: Peter D. MULCAHY

For: MEDICAL ADHESIVE TAPE OR SHEET, AND FIRST-AID ADHESIVE TAPE

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(c)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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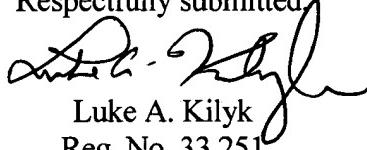
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